



UTAH ACCOLADES

National Rankings

Utah once again ranks #1 in Economic Dynamism, in the Information Technology & Innovation Foundation's 2014 State New Economy Index

U.S. Chamber - June 2014

Utah Top five – "U.S. Chamber Enterprising States report"

U.S. Chamber - June 2014

Utah 13th "Best State for Business 2014"

Cheif Executive - May 2014

Utah #1 for Economic Outlook and #2 for Economic Performance.

ALEC-Laffer State Economic Competitiveness - April 2014

Utah #3 "Best State For Business And Careers"

Forbes - September 2013

Utah #1 "Pollina Corporate Top 10 Pro-Business States"

Pollina Corporate Real Estate - August 2013

Utah #5 "America's Top States for Business 2013"

CNBC - July 2013

Utah #1 "Expected Economic Recovery and Economic Outlook (six years in a row)"

American Legislative Exchange Council - May 2013

Utah #1 "Economic Dynamism"

2012 New Economy Index - December 2012

Utah #1 "Pollina Corporate Top 10 Pro-Business States"

Pollina Corporate Real Estate - August 2012

Utah #2 “Best Business Climate”

Business Facilities - August 2012

Utah #2 “CNBC America’s Top States for Business 2012”

CNBC - July 2012

Utah #1 Five Years in a Row “Expected Economic Recovery and Economic Outlook”

American Legislative Exchange Council - January 2012

State Rankings

Utah #3 “10 best states for retirement”

Bankrate.com - June 2014

Utah #1 “Most Likely to Donate Money and Time”

Gallup - May 2014

Utah #3 – “Best Places to Live”

Gallup - April 2014

Utah #3 “Most Self-employed Women”

U.S. Chamber of Commerce - April 2014

Utah high school students rank in top 10 nationally for Advanced Placement test scores

College Board - February 2014

The most popular governor in the country? You probably haven’t heard of him

Washington Post - February 2014

Utah #9 in the Nation for “Policies that Support Emergency Patients”

2014 American College of Emergency Physicians' Report Card - January 2014

Utah in the Top 5 “Best States to Start a Business”

Business 2 Community - December 2013

Small Business Policy Index 2013

Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council - December 2013

“Utah Export Growth Doubles the U.S. Average.”

World Trade Center Utah - December 2013

Utah #2 “Second-Fewest Deficient Bridges”

Utah Business - December 2013

Utah #9 Nationally “Percentage of Commuters who Bicycle to Work”

The Republic - November 2013

The Best Places in Utah for Job Seekers

Nerd Wallet - November 2013

Utah #5 “The Best and Worst Run States in America: A Survey of All 50”

USA Today - November 2013

Utah #15 “Top State Business Climate Ranking”

Site Selection - November 2013

Utah #6 “Utah ranks 6th in U.S. in economic contributions of public lands”

U.S. Department of Interior's Office of Policy Analysis - August 2013

Utah #7 “Fighting Obesity: Utah 7th Best in Nation, Kids are Number 1”

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance - August 2013

Utah #3 “Best Business Climate”

Business Facilities - August 2013

Utah #5 “Fastest Internet in the West”

Akamai Technologies - July 2013

Governor Herbert #3 “Job Creation”

The Business Journals - July 2013

Utah Ranks High “2013 Manufacturing and Logistics National Report”

Conexus - June 2013

Utah #4 “10 Best States for Starting a Business”

CNBC - May 2013

“Utah is One of only Four States with a Positive Net Worth”

Zions Bank Corporation - May 2013

“Utah is one of only 7 States to Maintain AAA Bond Rating”

Zions Bank Corporation - May 2013

Utah #1 “States with the Lowest Percentage of Adult and Youth Smokers in the Nation”

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - May 2013

Utah #1 “Technology Concentration and Dynamism Composite Index”

Milken Institute - May 2013

Utah #4 “ADP Regional Employment Report”

ADP - May 2013

Utah #9 “Top 10 Competitive States of 2012”

Site Selection - May 2013

Utah #12 “Best/Worst States for Business”

Chief Executive - May 2013

Utah #1 “Internet Access”

Census Bureau - May 2013

Utah #1 “United States Small Business Friendliness”

Thumbtack - April 2013

Utah #1 “Lowest Healthcare Expenditures”

Wall Street Journal - April 2013

Utah # 1 “Tech Concentration and Dynamism”

State Technology and Science Index - April 2013

Utah #1 “Best Spot for New Graduates”

Kiplinger - April 2013

“Utah and Surrounding States are Expected to Lead Out in the Nation for Hiring Tech Employees in 2013”

Zions Bank Corporation - April 2013

Utah in Top 10 of all Categories “Utah Excels in Economy and Business”

U.S. Chamber of Commerce - April 2013

“Utah Exports have Grown Consecutively for 10 years”

World Trade Center Utah - April 2013

Utah #10 “2013 State Business Tax Climate Index”

Tax Foundation - March 2013

Utah B-Plus for Spending Transparency “Following The Money 2013”

U.S. Pirg Education Fund - March 2013

Utah #4 “Index of State Economic Momentum”

Federal Funds Information for States - March 2013

Utah #4 “The 10 Happiest States In The U.S.”

Innovation America - February 2013

Utah #11 “AP Exams Performance”

The College Board - February 2013

Utah #8 “The Average Internet Connection Speed in Every State in America”

Akamai Technologies - February 2013

Utah #2 from 2005 to 2012 “The New Places where American’s Tech Future is Taking Shape”

Innovation America - January 2013

Utah #1 “Most Dynamic Economy in the Nation”

The Kauffman Foundation - January 2013

Utah #1 “Top State for Voluntarism Seven Years in a Row”

Volunteering and Civic Life in America - December 2012

Utah #4 “The Best and Worst Run States in America”

24/7 Wall Street - November 2012

Utah #9 “With Utah’s ‘house in order,’ Salt Lake is the 9th best economy”

Bureau of Economic Analysis - October 2012

Utah Top 10 “Utah Named One of the Best Tax Climates for Businesses – Tax Foundation”

Tax Foundation - October 2012

Utah and Minnesota “Most Liveable States of the Future”

Reuters - September 2012

Utah Ranked Part of “2012 Best Projects Award Talk of the Rockies”

ENR Mountain States - August 2012

Utah #1 “Best U.S. States to Live... in 2032”

U.S. News - August 2012

Utah #5 “Economic Growth Potential”

Business Facilities - July 2012

Utah #7 “10 Fastest-Growing States”

CNN Money - June 2012

Utah Ranks Highly “Enterprising States – Policies that Produce”

U.S. Chamber of Commerce - June 2012

Utah Wins Gold Shovel “7th Annual Gold & Silver Shovel Awards”
Area Development - June 2012

Utah #2 “The Next Boom States”
U.S. Chamber of Commerce - June 2012

Utah #3 “Top performing 529 plans”
Savingforcollege.com - June 2012

Utah #9 “Best/Worst States for Business”
Chief Executive - May 2012

Small Businesses Award Utah A+ as Nation’s #4 “Friendliest State for Doing Business”
Thumbtack - May 2012

Utah #3 “Easiest place nationwide to start a small business”
Thumbtack - May 2012

Utah #8 “Top 10: United States of Production”
P3 Update - May 2012

Utah #3 “Most Optimistic Nationwide about Economic Future”
Thumbtack - May 2012

“Utah is One of only Eight States to Produce Electricity from Geothermal Energy”
Geo Energy - April 2012

Utah #2 “Job Growth”
W.P. Carey School of Business at Arizona State University - March 2012

Utah State Capitol #1 “10 Great Places to Walk through History at State Capitols”
USA Today - February 2012

Utah #9 “Best State for Job Seekers – MSN Careers”
MSN Careers - February 2012

Utah #4 “New Jobs to Make Goldman Utah Office 4th-largest

globally”

The Salt Lake Tribune - February 2012

Utah #4 “Top 10 States, Well-Being Index”

Gallup - February 2012

5 Utah Luxury Hotels make the list “TripAdvisor Travelers’ Choice winners”

Trip Advisor - January 2012

Utah 3rd “Overall Economic Health”

Financial Times, RealtyTrac and the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis -
January 2012

Utah #4 “States with Most, Least Credit Card Debt”

MSN Money - January 2012

City Rankings

Cities on the Rise in Utah

NerdWallet - July 2014

Utah Cities Rank High “U.S. Metro Economies Report”

IHS Global Insight - June 2014

Salt Lake City #13 “Best & Worst Cities to Start a Career”

WalletHub - June 2014

Provo #1 “Well-Being Index”

Gallup-Healthways - April 2014

BYU Campus #1 “Hot and Smart” College Students

Business Insider - April 2014

Utah computer science grads jump 47% to 534

Silicon Slopes - February 2014

Salt Lake City #1 “Best Cities for Kids”

MSN Real Estate - February 2014

Provo-Orem #2, Salt Lake City #5 “15 U.S. Cities That Are Driving The Future”

Business Insider - January 2014

Salt Lake City #1 “10 Cities where You’re Most Likely to Achieve the American Dream”

Policy Mic - January 2014

Provo cracks top 5 for technology, business

Daily Herald - January 2014

Provo-Orem #2, Salt Lake City #5 “Best Performing Cities – Milken Institute”

Milken Institute - December 2013

Database for On Numbers Economic Index

The Business Journals - December 2013

Expansion Solutions: Top 5 Award of Excellence

Expansion Solutions - November 2013

BYU and U of U Recognized for “Top Entrepreneurship Programs”

The Princeton Review - November 2013

Salt Lake City #1 “6 Top Cities for High-Paying Jobs”

Payscale - October 2013

The Best Town in America: Park City, Utah

Outside Magazine - August 2013

“Intermountain Medical Center Named Among Nation’s Best”

U.S. News - August 2013

Provo #2 “Forbes List of Best Places in America for Business and Careers”

Forbes - August 2013

Four Utah Cities Rank High “4 Utah Cities Among Best Places to Live”

Outside Magazine - August 2013

Provo-Orem #11, Salt Lake City #12 “American’s most Densely-Packed Startup Scenes aren’t just in Northern California”

Kauffman Foundation - August 2013

BYU #30 “5 Top Business Schools just as Great as Harvard and Wharton”

Policy Mic - August 2013

Salt Lake City #12 “Forbes List of Best Places for Business and Careers”

Forbes - August 2013

Ogden #16 “Best Places for Business and Careers”

Forbes - August 2013

Salt Lake City #2 “The 20 Best Cities in America to be Young, Broke and Single”

Money Under 30 - July 2013

Utah Residents #2 “Summit, Wasatch Residents Among Most Physically Active in the Country”

Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation - July 2013

UVU #1 “UVU’s Women’s Basketball Team has Best GPA in the Nation”

The Women's Basketball Coaches Association - July 2013

Utah County #1 “Economic Vitality”

Daily Herald - July 2013

Westminster College #1 “Best Colleges to Work for”

Utah Business - July 2013

Salt Lake City #13 “Top ‘Aspirational Cities’”

The Daily Beast - July 2013

Salt Lake City #1 “Top 10 Cities for College Grads”

U-T San Diego - May 2013

Provo-Orem #2 “Best Midsize Cities for Jobs in 2013”

Forbes - May 2013

Salt Lake City #3 “Best Big Cities for Jobs in 2013”

Forbes - May 2013

Salt Lake County Top 10 “Economic Development Group”

Site Selection - May 2013

Salt Lake City #3 “Best and Worst Places for Exercise”

Men's Health - May 2013

Salt Lake City #25 “Top 50 Cities for Global Trade”

Global Trade Magazine - May 2013

Salt Lake City #12 “Amazon’s Most Well-Read List”

- April 2013

Sandy #51 “Best Places to Live”

CNN Money - April 2013

University of Utah #1 “Top Game Design Programs”

The Princeton Review - March 2013

Salt Lake City #3 (tie) “The Best and Worst Cities for Jobs this Spring”

Forbes - March 2013

Salt Lake City #7 “30 Best Cities for Young Entrepreneurs”

Under30CEO - March 2013

Provo-Orem #1 “Most Religious Metro Area in U.S.”

Gallup - March 2013

Salt Lake City #9 “Economic Optimism”

Wall Street Journal - March 2013

BYU #1 “25 Colleges where Students are Both Smart and Hot”

Business Insider - March 2013

Salt Lake City #5 “The Cities Winning the Battle for the Biggest Growth Sector in the U.S.”

Forbes - February 2013

Orem #19, Provo #64 “America’s Safest Cities”

FBI - February 2013

City Creek #1 “City Creek Named Best Mall in the Americas”

International Property Awards - January 2013

Salt Lake City #7 “The New Places Where America’s Tech Future is Taking Shape”

Innovation America - January 2013

Logan #1 “Best Performing Small Cities of 2012”

Milken Institute - January 2013

Salt Lake City Airport #1 “America’s Best Airports for Avoiding Flight Delays”

Travel and Leisure - November 2012

Provo-Orem #4 “America’s Most Competitive Metros Since 2010”

Economic Modeling Specialists International - November 2012

South Jordan #18 “Best Places to Live”

CNN Money - October 2012

Salt Lake City #5 “The 10 US Cities with the Best Job Growth Right Now”

Yahoo Finance - October 2012

Five Utah Businesses in top 10 “The 30 Best Places to Work”

Outside Magazine - August 2012

Logan #3 “Top College Towns of 2012”

Livability - August 2012

Salt Lake City #14 “The 15 Hottest American Cities of the Future”

Business Insider - July 2012

Salt Lake City #1 “Major Airport On-Time Arrival Performance Year-to-date through May 2012”

United States Department of Transportation - July 2012

Salt Lake City “Best U.S. Hiking Cities”

National Geographic - June 2012

Provo #1, Ogden #6 “Forbes: The Best Places for Business and Careers”

Forbes - June 2012

Salt Lake City #2 “The Happiest Cities for Job-Seeking College Grads”

Forbes - May 2012

Salt Lake City #17 “America’s Greenest Cities”

Travel and Leisure - April 2012

Heber #5 “America’s Fastest-Growing Small Towns”

MSN Real Estate - April 2012

Salt Lake City and Environs “12 places to visit in 2012”

Los Angeles Times - February 2012

Utah Metros in the Top Quintile for “Export Growth”

Brookings Mountain West - February 2012

Salt Lake City in the Top 15 “Best Cities to do Business, Globally, 2011, 2012”

Fortune - January 2012

Tourism Rankings

Utah #8 Bicycle Friendly State

Bicycle Friendly America - June 2014

25 Incredible Parks Everyone Should Visit

Budget Travel - February 2014

World's Best Ski Runs: 100 to 1

Ksl.com - January 2014

Top 50 ski resorts list from The Active Times

The Active Times - November 2013

Capitol Reef National Park #1 "6 Great National Parks You've Never Visited"

Parade - August 2013

Ogden in the Top 10 "Top 10 Emerging Ski Towns"

National Geographic - March 2013

Arches National Park "Best National Park Adventures for Kids"

National Geographic - March 2013

"Top Travel Rankings"

Travel Rankings - February 2013

Deer Valley in the Top 5 "5 Spectacular Resorts for Ski-Lovers and Ski-Skeptics"

Budget Travel - January 2013

"Utah's 14 Ski Resorts Attracted 3.8 Million Skiers During the 2011-12 Season"

State of Utah - December 2012

Alta/Snowbird #2, Park City/Deer Valley/The Canyons #5, Brighton/Solitude #8 "The Top 10 Ski Resorts in the United States for 2013"

Forbes - December 2012

Alta/Snowbird #5 "Guaranteed Powder"

Men's Journal - December 2012

Deer Valley #2 "America's Most Hassle-Free Mountain"

Men's Journal - December 2012

#1 Chesler Park Loop, #3 Angels Landing "The List: 11 Best American Day Hikes"

Adventure Journal - July 2012

Utah #6 for Highway 12 “The USA’s 10 Best Motorcycle Roads”

Lonely Planet - June 2012

Salt Lake City #4 “Overall Friendliness in the Nation toward Small Business”

Thumbtack - May 2012

Zion Narrows (hiking), Utah – 12 Most Beautiful Paths – No Car Required

Budget Travel - May 2012

Park City in the Top 11 “11 Coolest Winter Places in America”

Budget Travel - April 2012

Arches #1, Zion #5 “10 National Parks that Budget Travel Editors Love”

Budget Travel - April 2012

Park City, Utah – Luxe Ski Resorts Worldwide

Delta Sky Magazine - February 2012
